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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION RE SPECIFIC ALLEGATIONS OF  
HONDURAN/FDN HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES

REF: DIR 298686

1. AS [ ] WELL AWARE, [ ] CONTINUES TO BE  
PLAGUED WITH CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRIES CONCERNING THE ALLEGED  
PERPETRATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS EXCESSES BY THE HONDURAN  
GOVERNMENT AND THE FDN. WHILE WE REALIZE THAT THE  
PREPONDERANCE OF THESE ALLEGATIONS ARE GENERAL AND THEREFORE  
CANNOT READILY BE CONFIRMED OR REFUTED, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO  
DETERMINE THE VALIDITY AND SCOPE OF THESE ABUSES BY SURFACING  
AS MANY SPECIFIC CASES AS POSSIBLE. THIS IS BEING ACCOMPLISHED  
BY REVIEWING ALL RELEVANT HEADQUARTERS FILES AS WELL AS PRESS  
ITEMS DATING FROM 1 JANUARY 1981 TO PRESENT. TO THIS END,  
REQUEST THAT [ ] ACQUIRE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE ON  
THE INDIVIDUAL CASES LISTED BELOW. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE  
INDIVIDUAL--HUMBERTO VASQUEZ WHO WAS REPORTEDLY KIDNAPPED ON 1  
FEBRUARY 1984 AS HE LEFT WORK--THIS LIST IF TAKEN FROM RAMON  
CUSTODIO'S REBUTTAL OF [ ] 1984 HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT.

CLERGYMEN KILLED IN HONDURAS:

ELPIDIO CRUZ, 15 NOV 81, LA VIRTUD, LEMPIRA DEPARTMENT  
MACARIO RAMIREZ, 25 NOV 81, LA VIRTUD, LEMPIRA DEPARTMENT  
LUCIO AGUIRRE MONGE, DEC 81, LA VIRTUD, LEMPIRA DEPARTMENT  
HONORIO ALEJANDRO NUNEZ, 30 SEPT 81, OLANCHITO, YORO

DEPARTMENT

LEONARDO LOPEZ, 26 JUNE 82, SANTA RIA, COPAN DEPARTMENT  
DESIDERIO NAVARRETE, 3 MAR 83, SAN ANDRES, LEMPIRA

DEPARTMENT

ANTONIO CANTAREDO ORELLANA, 22 APRIL 1983, SAN ANTONIO,  
INTIBUCA DEPARTMENT

FIDEL NAVARRETTE, 10 APRIL 84, VALLADOLID, LEMPIRA  
DEPARTMENT

CLERGYMEN IMPRISONED, INTER ALIA, BECAUSE OF THEIR CRIMES  
AGAINST STATE SECURITY.

AQUILINO GARCIA YANEZ, 20 OCT 84, COMAYAGUA

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VICTOR SALMERON, OCT 84, COMAYAGUA  
FIDEL CASTILLO, 20 NOV 84, TEGUCIGALPA  
ALBERTO GONZALEZ, 19 JAN 84, TEGUCIGALPA  
ALLEN HANZSON, 19 OCT 84, TEGUCIGALPA

2. WE REALIZE THAT THESE REQUEST ARE EXCEEDINGLY ONEROUS  
AND APPRECIATE  ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER

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